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I learned something.

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I found this article from last year on exports.

<http://www.sierraclub.org/coal/tx/downloads/Corpus-Christi-gambles.pdf>

http://www.sourcewatch.org/index.php?title=Port_of_Corpus_Christi

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Are you aware of any coal imports or exports that would be occurring out of Corpus Christi. Isn't Las Brisas proposing only to use pet coke?

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Hello Jeff,

I'm not yet familiar enough with the Corpus ship channel situation to know if the coal exports and stockpiling brought up in the question are an actual, documented concern for the area, or just something the environmental/public advocacy groups think *could* happen. I'll look more into whether or not these activities are actually happening in the area, and if not, perhaps we can provide language to that effect for Rhonda to incorporate in the responses.

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I'm not sure what coal exports would be coming in at this point? For example, Las Brisas will be using conveyance systems from the three local refineries for their pet coke fuel. I do agree that shipping emissions should be looked at. Can you tell me more about coal stockpiling emissions they're concerned about.

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Good Morning Guy,

Thanks for forwarding Rhonda's draft response - I'll get any feedback to her by COB tomorrow and copy you on it.

Do you know if she still needs input on question 1 that was presented to EPA?

"1. Can EPA provide input on the excess health burden increasing coal exports would bring to Corpus Christi's fenceline neighborhoods and what, if any, steps such an expansion would have to take in terms of environmental permitting? Should such trade develop in Corpus Christi's port, will EPA push for extra control measures such as: cold-ironing at the new docking facilities, ensuring that all locomotives are of a later engine vintage or are at the least retrofitted to minimize diesel PM, any sort of extra dust/PM control measures for the coal piles and transferring processes (such as geodesic domes)?"

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Rhonda asked that we review the response that she has put together and give her feed back by Thursday. I am not very familiar with the executive order so I'm not sure about the response. Please let me know or respond directly to Rhonda.

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Let me know if you are OK with response.

[attachment "Response to Question 3.docx" deleted by Jeffrey Riley/R6/USEPA/US]

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Tina,

Please review the attachment and provide comments by Tuesday, 4/10/12. Let me know if you need more time. It is a response to a question from the EJ Interagency Working Group. The complete list of questions is below.

[attachment "Response to Question 3.docx" deleted by Tina Arnold/R6/USEPA/US]

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Steve,

As you probably know the the Environmental Justice Inter-agency Working Group is meeting in Corpus Christi on April 19, 2012 from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm at the Victory Southcoast Church. The federal agencies that have confirmed their participation are EPA, HUD, DOT/FHWA, USDA, Rural Development Program, USACE, ATSDR/Public Health Service

and possibly the US Coast Guard.

Kelly Haragan, Director of the Environmental Clinic at the UT School of Law and a representative of Suzie Canales's Citizens For Environmental Justice local EJ organization has submitted a list of questions for the IWG federal agencies to answer or address at the meeting. The list is attached below. On page three of the document under EPA questions 3, 4, and 5 are ones that should be addressed by 6EN. Would you please provide responses to these that could be offered during the IWG session. For this meeting the CFEJ group decided that they would submit questions in advance to federal agencies in hope of giving ample time for the agencies to prepare their responses.

[attachment "QUESTIONS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP March 23.docx" deleted by Tina Arnold/R6/USEPA/US]

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